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## Adventure Camp for ages 6-8

## Extreme Camp for ages 9-12

#### Mucky Muddy Marshes

Do you dare to muddle beyond puddles and mud pies? Did you know that the muddy marsh we find in nature actually helps our planet stay clean? Come join us in this amazing discovery, and learn how we can protect our natural wetlands.

#### Splish Splash Splosh

Let's get wet! Let's get excited! Let's dive into the world of life under water. Our creeks, rivers, ponds, and waterways are rich with biodiversity. How do these creatures live? What do they depend on? Should we care? Do you know why? Join us on this splashing adventure and find out!

#### Fuzz, Fun, Frizz + Fluff

What is soft, warm and gentle, yet sturdy, tough and strong? Did you know that the fur and feathers on mammals & birds have far more serious properties than just being cuddly and fluffy? Let's find out what makes these warm-blooded animals so hot!

#### Skin, Scales, Slime + Grime They say, "don't judge a book by its cover".

But how about animals? Is the mystery more than just skin deep?
Come be a part of this super cool expedition, where we will uncover the secrets of fish, reptiles, amphibians and other



# FIND camp: Fossils-ImprintsNeoliths-Dinosaurs

300 million years ago, Nebraska was an ocean. 1 million years ago, mammoths roamed here. Yesterday, raccoons were at the very same spot. Are there any signs left behind that we can still see today? What are they? Do you know what is a fossil or neolith or imprint? How can you FIND them?

#### Six legs or more!

How many legs does a caterpillar

have? Are invertebrates with 8 legs always spiders? If the mommy has 8 legs, could the young have only 6 legs?

Do millipedes really have 1000 legs? How do these legs creep, crawl, walk, run, slide or jump? Hop on over to find out!

#### **Predator Prey**

The leaf was chewed by a ladybug, who was caught by a spider, who was eaten by a mantis, who was pecked by a robin, who was swallowed by a snake, who was swiped by a hawk. Can you name any other food chain? Do you know how it ends? Does it ever end? Come discover and be amazed!

#### Crafts + Creations

Petals, leaves, twigs, bark, seeds, pods, vines, pebbles, scales, fluff, and all kinds of other stuff. The list is endless. The scope is limitless. The potential is priceless! We'll bring the tools. You'll bring your imagination. Together, we'll craft amazing creations for you to bring home at the end of the camp!

#### **Enchanted Woods**

Unravel the mystery of how plants live.
Uncover the secret of how soil is made.
Unearth clues to things your eyes can't see.
This place called Wilderness has a colorful history plus amazing plants and animals.
Come discover these mystical wonders.

#### S<sup>2</sup> camp: Strive 2 Survive

If you are lost in the wilderness, what should you do? How would you survive? Which skills would protect you? Where could you find natural resources? When must you conserve energy? Why is all this knowledge important? For all nature adventurers... joining this camp is a must.

#### GO camp: Geo-Caching +Orienteering

Mayans used the sun.
Zheng Hi used the stars.
Marco Polo used a compass.
Sputnik used radio navigation.
NASA uses GPS. What will you use?
What can you use it for? Calling all techno-buffs with a zest for adventure.
Come learn the science of direction & let's GO!

#### X-camp: eXamining eXoskeletons

Come join this eXtraodinary eXpedition to eXplore the eXciting world of eXoskeletons.

Did you know that invertebrates are eXceptional creatures that make up 95% of the animal kingdom? Increase your eXpertise of nature and improve your scientific deXterity. EXcel to the maX!

## SNaP camp: Spectacular NaturePhotography

Aim, focus, shoot! Capture the beauty of nature. Bring your camera & enthusiasm, and we'll bring you on an adventure you'll never forget. You'll discover the rudiments of lighting, exposure, angle, balance & composition. You'll also practice different techniques & experiment with new approaches. Learn from the pros and become a pro yourself!

#### RAP Camp: Raptors - Aviation Predators

Silent, swift, precise, lethal. Stealth, speed, agility, accuracy. Who are these lean, clean, flying machines? What do they target? When do they strike? How do they take flight? Come learn about Nebraska's 26 native species of raptors, including our national bird, the Bald Eagle.

# POWER camp: Power On Wheels Exploring +Researching

Miles of trails. Hours of adventure. Gobs of fun. Immeasurable learning. Not for the faint hearted, but a must for go-getters. Bring your bikes, helmets, and backpacks. Be ready to venture beyond base camp. Be prepared to experience POWER camp.

#### H<sup>2</sup>O camp: Habits + Habitats Observed

A human body mass is 70% water. An earthworm's is 90% and a plant cell could be close to 100%. Why is

H<sup>2</sup>O so important to all life forms? How do plants and animals adapt when water is scarce? Come learn all about H<sup>2</sup>O & have a splashing time too!

#### PCASO camp: Paint Collage And Sculpture Outdoors

Color, texture, patterns, shapes, volume, space, and place. Let the wilderness be your palette and let your imagination be your tools. In this

PCASO camp you will experiment and express your ideas, to create one-of-a-kind masterpieces in both 2-D and 3-D form. At the end of the week, your creations will be showcased in an exhibition, after which you can take them to display at home!

# leadership Camp for ages 13-17



Specially designed for youth aged 13-17, both returning as well as new

#### Junior Counselors

to develop and practice leadership skills. The first week of camp will focus on leadership training, team building, service learning, and nature appreciation. In the following weeks, you will have the opportunity to apply your new skills through hands-on in-service training with younger campers. This program requires a special application and interview. For more information and application forms, please call the Nature Center. Space is limited and fills fast, so apply early.



Age	Camp Title / Dates of Camp	Jun 7 - Jun 11	Jun 14 - Jun 18	Jun 21 - Jun 25	Jun 28 - Jul 2	Jul 5 - Jul 9	Jul 12 - Jul 16	Jul 19 - Jul 23	Jul 26 - Jul 30
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13-17 yrs	JC camp: Junior Counselor (This program requires a special application and interview)**	•				Z			

## Basic Camp

Monday - Friday 8:30 am - 5:00 pm \$150 per week (early bird registration by May 1st - save \$10)

Snacks, drinks, program supplies & camp T-shirt will be provided.

Campers are to bring a sack lunch, bug spray & sunscreen. Each week will include an off-site field trip, family hike and closing ceremony.

Staff are trained in outdoor education, CPR, first aid, and van safety.

Scholarships available for those who qualify.\*\*

\*\*NOTE: For more info and application forms, please call the Nature Center (402) 441-7895.





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